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Sir:

This response, and four month extension of time, is being submitted in reply to the Advisory Office Action mailed on November 29, 2005 and is being filed prior to the time Applicant's appeal brief is due. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Consideration of the remarks herein, which begin on page 2, are respectfully requested.

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